

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS, M.S. (RESIDENTIAL)

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The Master of Science program (M.S.) in Communication Sciences and Disorders at Baylor University prepares the student for academic coursework and clinical practicum requirements to apply for certification by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The Baylor CSD program is accredited by the:

Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
2200 Research Boulevard, #310
Rockville, MD 20850
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The requirements governing the selection of courses and clinical practicum experiences must be individualized based on when a student begins the program and the courses that he or she takes. Therefore, all students must consult with the Graduate Program Director for guidance in fulfilling the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's standards.

Admissions

Admission decisions are based on faculty review of undergraduate transcripts, the cumulative undergraduate (or graduate if degree conferred) GPA from a degree-bearing university, personal statements, a resume, and three letters of recommendation. Students who earned their primary undergraduate degree with a major in CSD are admitted in the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Leveling students who do not have an undergraduate degree with a major in CSD are admitted in the fall semester.

Policies and operating procedures for the graduate program are detailed in the Residential CSD Graduate Handbook and provided to each student electronically at the start of the semester.

Requirements for a Major in Communication Sciences and Disorders (MS)

Code	Title	Hours
Forty-five total credit hours, including:		
CSD 5319	EBP Evaluation and Interprofessional Practice in a Diverse Society	3
CSD 5325	Speech Sound Disorders	3
CSD 5341	Pediatric Language Disorders 1	3
CSD 5337	Pediatric Language Disorders 2	3
CSD 5149	Clinical Practicum in Speech Pathology ¹	1
CSD 5311	Aphasiology	3
CSD 5312	Fluency and Fluency Disorders	3

CSD 5313	Augmentative and Alternative Communication	3
CSD 5328	Diagnosis and Treatment of Dysphagia	3
CSD 5314	Voice Pathology and Resonance Disorders	3
CSD 5316	Motor Speech Disorders	3
CSD 5318	Research Methods in Graduate Study in Communication Sciences and Disorders	3
CSD 5330	Cognitive Linguistic Communication Disorders	3
CSD 5549	Clinical Internship	6
Total hours		45

The following electives may be taken in addition to the program course requirements:

CSD 5304	Advanced Aural Rehabilitation ²
CSD 5334	Multicultural Issues in Speech-Language Pathology
CSD 5V99	Thesis
CSD 5354	Mentored Research Experience in Communication Sciences and Disorders

¹ CSD 5149 Clinical Practicum in Speech Pathology is taken three times, once per semester, during the first year.

² CSD 5304 Advanced Aural Rehabilitation must be taken if not completed at another university

Leveling Courses - Semester One

Code	Title	Hours
CSD 5101	Leveling-Observation	1
CSD 5302	Leveling - Anatomy & Physiology	3
CSD 5305	Leveling-Survey of Speech Pathology and Audiology	3
CSD 5306	Leveling-Language Development	3
CSD 5309	Leveling-Introduction to Clinical Audiology	3
Total Hours		13

Leveling Courses - Semester Two

Code	Title	Hours
CSD 5201	Leveling-Clinical Methods	2
CSD 5303	Leveling - Speech Science	3
CSD 5304	Advanced Aural Rehabilitation	3
CSD 5307	Leveling-Introduction to Phonological Science	3
Total Hours		11